

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0042] as follows.

[0042] The services 104 and 106, 110, 112, 114, 116, 120 and 122 are written/configured to operate in a distributed computing environment, e.g., the JINI brand made available by SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC., the JCORE brand made available by THE HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY, etc. In such a distributed computing environment, each of these services is either a provider of a service or a client/consumer of a service that communicates by a distributed communication protocol, e.g., JINI protocol, JCORE protocol, etc. See, ~~e.g., www.wswest.sun.com/JINI/whitepapers/JINI-datasheet0601.pdf, [HTTP://Pandonia.canberra.edu.au/java/JINI/tutorial/JINI.html](http://Pandonia.canberra.edu.au/java/JINI/tutorial/JINI.html), [HTTP://www.sun.com/JINI/whitepapers/JINI-execoverview.pdf](http://www.sun.com/JINI/whitepapers/JINI-execoverview.pdf)~~ or ~~[HTTP://www.billday.com/work/JINI/JINI.pdf](http://www.billday.com/work/JINI/JINI.pdf).~~

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